



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application Of: Anderson et al.

Group No.: 2182

Serial No.: 09/825,297

Docket No. 051207-1090

Filed: April 2, 2001

For: **PREPAID SERVICE INTERFACE SYSTEM AND METHOD**

**RESPONSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Customer Service Center  
Initial Patent Examination Division

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional), Filing Date Granted, dated February 26, 2002, please find enclosed:

1. Part 2 – Copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply;
2. Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.181;
3. A signed Affidavit by Ms. Evelyn Sanders as Exhibit A;
4. The pertinent documents filed on November 30, 2001 in response to the Notice of Missing Parts as Exhibit B;
5. A return receipt postcard stamped by the Office on January 7, 2002 as Exhibit C; and
6. A copy of the postcard deposited with the U.S. Postal Office on November 30, 2001 as Exhibit D.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 20-0778 for any deficiencies or credit any over payments.

Respectfully Submitted,

**THOMAS NAYDEN, HORSTEMEYER  
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By: \_\_\_\_\_

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I hereby certify that the below listed items are being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as express mail label No. **EL 924222633 US** addressed to:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

on 07 March 2002.

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**RESPONSE TO MISSING PARTS NOTICE**

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted, dated June 1, 2001, please find enclosed:

1. Declaration and Power of Attorney;
2. a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted;

and

3. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 20-0778 in the amount of \$2,310.00 to cover basic filing fees, petition for extension of time, and the additional surcharge fee for filing this Response to the Missing Parts Notice.

In addition, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 20-0778 for any deficiencies or credit any over payments.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL**  
**for FY 2002**

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

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Complete If Known

Application Number 09/825,297  
 Filing Date 04/02/01  
 First Named Inventor Anderson et al.  
 Examiner Name To Be Assigned  
 Group / Art Unit 2182  
 Attorney Docket No. 051207-1090

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ ) 2,310.00

**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

- 1.
- ☒
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number

20-0778

Deposit Account Name

Thomas, Kayden, Horstemeyer Risley

- ☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17  
☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

- 2.
- ☐
- Payment Enclosed:

☐ Check ☐ Money Order ☐ Credit Card ☐ Other

**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	\$740
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	\$
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	\$
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	\$
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	\$
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>					<b>(\$740)</b>

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	20	-20** = 0	18.00
Independent Claims	3	-3** = 0	84.00
Multiple Dependent			140.00

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent Claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claims in excess of 3
109	84	209	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

\*\* or number previously paid, if greater. For Reissues, see above

**SUBTOTAL (2)** (\$ )**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee	130
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216	200	Extension of time within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension of time within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension of time within fourth month	1,440
128	1,960	228	980	Extension of time within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt.	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (time number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

Other fee (specify)

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

**SUBTOTAL (3)** 1,570**SUBMITTED BY**

Typed or Printed Name

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(Attorney/Agent)

Telephone Number

770-933-9500

Signature

Date

11/29/01

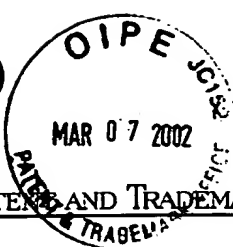
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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
09/825,297	04/02/2001	Carol Anderson	051207-1090

CONFIRMATION NO. 4065

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FORMALITIES LETTER



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Date Mailed: 02/26/2002

NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

*Filing Date Granted*

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 01/07/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 06/01/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The required items noted below SHOULD be filed along with any items required above. The filing date of this nonprovisional application will be the date of receipt of the items required above.

- The signature of the following inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:  
*Nirmalya Chattopadhyay*

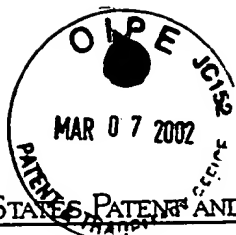
*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.*

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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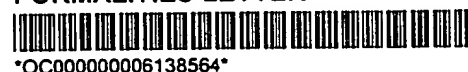
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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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Date Mailed: 06/01/2001

## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. ~~\$240~~ <sup>\$740</sup>  
Applicant must submit ~~\$240~~ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is ~~\$240~~ \$870.

*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.*

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Examiner: To Be Assigned

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Title: PREPAID SERVICE INTERFACE SYSTEM AND METHOD

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
(37 CFR 1.136(a))

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

1. This is a petition for an extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed 06/01/01 for a period of four months.

2. Applicant is:

☐ a small entity  
☒ other than small entity

☐ verified statement attached  
☐ verified statement filed

3. Extension  
(Months)

Fee for other than  
Small Entity

Fee for  
Small Entity

☐ one month  
☐ two months  
☐ three months  
☒ four months  
☐ five months

\$ 110  
\$ 400  
\$ 920  
\$1,440  
\$1,960

\$ 55  
\$ 200  
\$ 460  
\$ 720  
\$ 980

Fee: \$1,440

4. A Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application ☒ is filed herewith ☐ has been filed.

5. Fee payment

☐ Attached is check in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
☒ Charge fee to Deposit Account No. 20-0778 and for any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid. A duplicate of this petition is attached.  
☒ Please charge to Deposit Account No. 20-0778 any additional charge required. The Commissioner is requested to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

Date: 11/30/01

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